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From: Albright, David

**Sent:** Wed 1/17/2018 6:40:49 PM

Subject: RE: Hearing

Hi Stephen,

As I noted in my email message last week, EPA will be holding a public hearing on the proposed UIC permit. You should certainly feel free to share that news, if you wish. We are presently working to secure the venue in Dragoon and make other arrangements for the public hearing (court reporter, etc.). We are working as expeditiously as possible to make these arrangements and get the required 30-day public notice in the local papers. When we have pinned down the date (tentative is Feb 27<sup>th</sup>, 7-9pm), I will let you know. Call if any questions.

Thanks,

David

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Subject: Hearing

Hi David,

We are all operating under the assumption EPA will be scheduling a hearing. Time is of the essence and unnecessary delays continue to impact our business. Our politicians, investors, supporters and community leaders know the comment period ended January 8 and they want to know what is happening. I need to make an announcement that the EPA has decided to hold a public hearing (again, assuming this has been the EPA's decision), otherwise I can't talk to them.

We understand the Dragoon Women's club venue is available. Unless it gets sorted very soon, we will miss the cut-off times for next week's newspaper publications, resulting in further delays.

Can you please call or email me to discuss progress on this issue.

Regards,

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